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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1 (Cancel)

Claim 2 (Currently Amended): [[The]] A commodity containing apparatus according to
Claim 1, comprising:

a charging member attached to a base portion for charging a plurality of sheets of containing bags, said base portion arranged to be fixed to a counter or the like; and
a pivoting base portion pivotably supported by the base portion in a vertical face and formed with an opening for throwing in a commodity at a center portion thereof, wherein
an end plate of the pivoting base portion opposed to the charging member presses to hold the plurality of sheets of containing bags; and

wherein the pivoting base portion is provided with a lever pivotably supported in a vertical face and an expanding arm inserted into an opening of a frontmost one of the containing bags charged to the charging member for expanding the containing bag when the pivoted lever recovers to an original position by a self weight thereof supported by the lever.

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Claim 3 (Previously Presented): A commodity containing apparatus fixed to a fixing member of a counter or the like of a store for expanding a containing bag and throwing a commodity thereinto to contain, wherein the commodity containing apparatus includes a fixed member fixed to the fixing member, a base portion engaged attachably and detachably to and from the fixing member, a charging member attached to the base portion for charging a plurality of sheets of the containing bags, a pivoting base portion pivotably supported by the base portion in a vertical shape, formed with an opening for throwing in the commodity at a center portion thereof, an end plate thereof opposed to the charging member pressing to hold the plurality of sheets of containing bags, and a lever pivotably supported by the pivoting base portion in a vertical face and arranged with an expanding arm inserted into an opening of a frontmost one of the containing bag charged to the charging member for expanding the containing bag when the expanding arm is pivoted and thereafter returns to an original position by a self weight thereof.

Claim 4 (Previously Presented): The commodity containing apparatus according to Claim 3, wherein the fixed member is formed with a hook portion, a lock shaft extended in a longitudinal direction engaged with the hook portion of the fixed member is movably arranged at the base portion, and the lock shaft is arranged with a spring for providing an elasticity in a direction of the hook portion of the fixed member.

Claim 5 (Cancel)

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Claim 6 (Currently Amended): [[The]] A commodity containing apparatus according to
~~Claim 1 further including, comprising:~~

a charging member attached to a base portion for charging a plurality of sheets of containing
bags, said base portion arranged to be fixed to a counter or the like;
a pivoting base portion pivotably supported by the base portion in a vertical face and formed
with an opening for throwing in a commodity at a center portion thereof, wherein
an end plate of the pivoting base portion opposed to the charging member presses to hold the
plurality of sheets of containing bags;

a holding frame fixed to the base portion and formed with a fold-to-bend portion hung
downward in a vertical direction of the base portion and folded to bend in a horizontal direction such
that a lowermost portion thereof is disposed downward from the plurality of sheets of containing
bags, and

a receiving bowl arranged at the fold-to-bend portion of the holding frame.

Claim 7 (Currently Amended): The commodity containing apparatus according to Claim 2,
wherein at least two sheets of end plates surrounding the opening for throwing in the commodity are
inclined downward toward a center side.

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Claim 8 (Currently Amended): The commodity containing apparatus according to Claim 3, wherein at least two sheets of end plates surrounding the opening for throwing in the commodity are inclined downward toward a center side.

Claim 9 (Currently Amended): The commodity containing apparatus according to Claim 4, wherein at least two sheets of end plates surrounding the opening for throwing in the commodity are inclined downward toward a center side.

Claim 10 (Previously Presented): The commodity containing apparatus according to Claim 2, further including a holding frame fixed to the base portion and formed with a fold-to-bend portion hung downward in a vertical direction of the base portion and folded to bend in a horizontal direction such that a lowermost portion thereof is disposed downward from the plurality of sheets of containing bags, and a receiving bowl arranged at the fold-to-bend portion of the holding frame.

Claim 11 (Previously Presented): The commodity containing apparatus according to Claim 3, further including a holding frame fixed to the base portion and formed with a fold-to-bend portion hung downward in a vertical direction of the base portion and folded to bend in a horizontal direction such that a lowermost portion thereof is disposed downward from the plurality of sheets of containing bags, and a receiving bowl arranged at the fold-to-bend portion of the holding frame.

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Claim 12 (Previously Presented): The commodity containing apparatus according to Claim 4, further including a holding frame fixed to the base portion and formed with a fold-to-bend portion hung downward in a vertical direction of the base portion and folded to bend in a horizontal direction such that a lowermost portion thereof is disposed downward from the plurality of sheets of containing bags, and a receiving bowl arranged at the fold-to-bend portion of the holding frame.

Claim 13 (Currently Amended): [[The]] A commodity containing apparatus according to Claim 5 further including, comprising:

a charging member attached to a base portion for charging a plurality of sheets of containing bags, said base portion arranged to be fixed to a counter or the like;

a pivoting base portion pivotably supported by the base portion in a vertical face and formed with an opening for throwing in a commodity at a center portion thereof, wherein

an end plate of the pivoting base portion opposed to the charging member presses to hold the plurality of sheets of containing bags; and

at least two sheets of end plates surrounding the opening for throwing in the commodity are inclined downward toward a center side;

a holding frame fixed to the base portion and formed with a fold-to-bend portion hung downward in a vertical direction of the base portion and folded to bend in a horizontal direction such that a lowermost portion thereof is disposed downward from the plurality of sheets of containing bags, and

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a receiving bowl arranged at the fold-to-bend portion of the holding frame.

Claim 14 (Previously Presented): The commodity containing apparatus according to Claim 7, further including a holding frame fixed to the base portion and formed with a fold-to-bend portion hung downward in a vertical direction of the base portion and folded to bend in a horizontal direction such that a lowermost portion thereof is disposed downward from the plurality of sheets of containing bags, and a receiving bowl arranged at the fold-to-bend portion of the holding frame.

Claim 15 (Previously Presented): The commodity containing apparatus according to Claim 8, further including a holding frame fixed to the base portion and formed with a fold-to-bend portion hung downward in a vertical direction of the base portion and folded to bend in a horizontal direction such that a lowermost portion thereof is disposed downward from the plurality of sheets of containing bags, and a receiving bowl arranged at the fold-to-bend portion of the holding frame.

Claim 16 (Cancel)

Claim 17 (New): The commodity containing apparatus according to Claim 9, further including a holding frame fixed to the base portion and formed with a fold-to-bend portion hung downward in a vertical direction of the base portion and folded to bend in a horizontal direction such

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that a lowermost portion thereof is disposed downward from the plurality of sheets of containing bags, and a receiving bowl arranged at the fold-to-bend portion of the holding frame.